

Equity Council Agenda

Zoom Meeting Time: July 8, 2020 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Welcomes & Introductions

• Executive Office of Health and Human Services Secretary Womazetta Jones welcomed the council members

Updates from the Last Meeting

- **Testing In Process**. State staff from the testing workstream are looking for additional sites for asymptomatic testing
- A member shared information about a transportation company not following guidelines. State staff will contact the Dept. of Business Regulation to investigate

COVID-19 Data Update | Leanne Lasher, Senior Public Health Epidemiologist at RI Dept. of Health (RIDOH)

- Community and long-term care (LTC) cases have been disaggregated to better show the impact of COVID-19 on local communities
- Equity Council members requested the disaggregation of data in order to see COVID-19 cases and trends by race, age, etc. For the most recent COVID-19 data, visit: https://bit.ly/2TD6IDR

COVID-19 Homelessness Response | Behavioral Healthcare Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals (BHDDH) Michelle Brophy, Associate Director of Public Affairs, and Thomas Martin, Associate Director of Clinical Services

- Quarantine and isolation housing are being provided for homeless and housing insecure individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19
- The State is implementing a shelter reduction program by moving homeless individuals into supportive housing to help curb the spread of COVID-19

Community Feedback: What are you hearing from the community? What should the State know?

• Members would like more information on the Brown University COVID-19 response plan, which can be found at: https://healthy.brown.edu/campus-activity-levels

Next Steps

• State staff will connect with the RI Department of Education to invite speakers to a future presentation

Close

• Closing remarks given by Secretary Womazetta Jones